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PERIAL BANK OF CANADA.

Capital Authorized \$2,500,000
Capital Paid up..... 1,034
Rest 2,172

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Dinner and Tea Sets,
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It is fully guaranteed.

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Gas Stoves,

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Gas Stoves,

TERMS OF SALE.—Twenty per cent. on day of
sale, and the balance within two days thereafter.

For further particulars apply to

JAMES M. OLEEN,

Of the City of St. Thomas.

Solicitor for Vendor.

Dated January 4th, 1900.

as Stoves..

Essex Famous Gas King

intend to give first-class satisfaction or

KING is made in three sizes and is the only Stove in the Market to
be conversed a Hot Air Pipe to convey the heat of the
gas and distributing it; heating up any room as it passes through the
Gas King will heat more space and do it quicker and on less fuel
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Stove and can be repaired at less cost than any other
Stove for 1 year.

J. H. ALLISS, Essex,

arrangements to handle Bulmer's Famous Gas King.

Essex Town Council.

Monday, January 8th.
Council met, according to statute
at 11 a.m., when the following sub-
scribed to their declarations of office
and qualification and took their seats:—

Mayor, Hugh M. Johnston; Councillors,
Arthur Raines, Dr. J. W. Brien,
G. J. Thomas and John Laing.

The Mayor and Messrs Thomas and
Raines were appointed a special com-
mittee to strike the standing commit-
tee for 1900 and council then adjourned
till 8 o'clock the same evening.

At 8 o'clock, council met with the
Mayor in the chair and Councillors
Brien, Raines, Thomas, Laing and
Brett present. Mr. Brett subscribed to
his declaration of office and qualifica-
tion.

The special committee to strike the
standing committee presented their
report recommending that committees be
formed as follows, the first named
in each committee to be the chairman
thereof:—

Finance—Messrs. Thomas, Raines
and Brett.

Board of Works—Messrs. Raines,
Bricker, Thomas and Laing.

Fire, Water and Light—Messrs.
Bricker, Thomas and Laing.

Public Property, Police and Charity—
Messrs. Brett, Brien and Bricker.

Printing, Education and Health—
Messrs. Brien, Laing and Bricker.

Street Commissioners—Ward 1, O.
H. Bricker; Ward 2, Arthur Raines;
Ward 3, G. J. Thomas.

Moved by Messrs. Brett and Brien
that the report be adopted.—Carried.

Mr. Brett brought up the matter of
Talbot Road, west of the town. He
understood Maidstone and Sandwich
South councils had each instructed
their Reeves to wait upon the County
Council at its coming session and en-
deavor to obtain a grant from the
county to assist in repairing the road, and
as Essex was much interested in hav-
ing the road in good condition, he
moved that the Mayor be empowered
to attend the meeting of the County
Council at its session next week in
said matter. Mr. Laing seconded the
motion, which carried.

The Mayor said the House of Ref-
erence matter would be brought up again
at the meeting of the county council
next week and the Fulmer farm would
likely be submitted for a site. We
should strengthen our representatives' hands
as much as possible and have the
levels of the farm taken.

Moved by Messrs. Brett and Thom-
as, that the Mayor arrange with the
Engineer to take the levels and make a
profile of the Fulmer farm.—Carried.

Moved by Messrs. Thomas and
Laing, that regular meetings be held
on the 1st and 3rd Mondays in each
month, at 8 p.m.—Carried.

On motion, council adjourned.

Established 1879.

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Essex and South Woodslee, Ont.

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Office Hours, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Money to Loan on Mortgages at 4½ and 3½ per
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Loans Made to Farmers on their Notes.
Agent for Huron & Erie Loan Co., Ontario
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and others.

Fire Insurance Effectuated.
In Royal, Northern, Guardian and National,
English Companies.

Having disposed of general store business, all
my attention will be given to Banking and
Insurance.

J. D. ANDERSON, Manager.

Wanted.

GIRL WANTED for general housework.
Apply to Mrs. (DR.) JENNER.

Mortgage Sale.

UNDER the power of sale contained in a
certain Mortgage, bearing date the fourth
day of June, 1888, made by George A.
Anderson, Marvin A. Brien and William L.
Davis et al. with the Royal Trust Co., to secure
a sum of \$1,000, now due and owing, subject
to a reserved bid, at the house on the
morged lands hereinafter described, situate
in the Town of Essex, in the County of
Essex, on

Saturday, Jan. 20th,
1900, at 3 o'clock p.m., the following
property, viz:

All that certain parcel or tract of land and
improvements, situate, lying and being in the
Village of Essex Centre, now Town of Essex, in
the County of Essex, being composed of parts of
the east half of the west half of the north half
of Lot No. 29, and the west half of Talbot Road, west,
in the Township of Essex, as surveyed and laid
out into village lots by James Laird, P.L.S.,
and marked on a plan of said survey, filed
in the Registry Office for the County of Essex,
Lot No. 12, as the northerly part of Village
Lots Nos. 13 and 17, north of Alice street
and west of Bricker Avenue, and more particu-
larly described as follows:—Commeing at
a point in the westerly limit of Brien Avenue,
which point is northerly twelve feet from the
center point in the east limit of said Lot 17;
thence easterly, parallel with Alice street to
the westerly limit of Brien Avenue, thence
easterly along the westerly limit of said Lot 17 to the place of
beginning.

Upon this is a good brick house renting
at Eight Dollars a month.

TERMS OF SALE.—Twenty per cent. on day of
sale, and the balance within two days thereafter.

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Essex Public Library.

The annual meeting of the members
of the Essex Public Library was held
in the Library Room on Monday even-
ing last with the President, E. A. Wi-
sner, in the chair. There was not as
good a turnout as at former meetings,
but this may be on account of the
change in the year which now begins
in January instead of in May.

The Secretary, G. W. Keith, pre-
sented a report showing what had been
done during the past eight months.

During the term the insurance on the
books had been increased from \$775 to
\$1075, and about \$100 worth of new
books had just been purchased and
would soon be placed on the shelves.

The report also showed that during the
eight months there were issued the
following:—History 224, biography 25,
guides and travels 152, science and
art 26, poetry and the drama 9, reli-
gious literature 41, fiction 786, miscel-
laneous 376, making a total of 1939
volumes issued.

On motion of Messrs. Riddick and
Raines, the report was adopted.

J. R. McEwan, Treasurer, presented
his report for the term as follows:—

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand, May 1st, 1899..... \$ 1 19
Montreal Bank fees..... 60 50
Hannover Bank fees..... 197 70
Bank of Montreal fees..... 2 00
Donations..... 18 50
Fines..... 45 45

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EXPENDITURES.

Light..... 35 55
Printing electric light..... 23 00
Stationery..... 13 44
Librarian's salary..... 75 00
Printing account..... 3 25
Wood and oil..... 2 50
Furniture..... 2 50
Freight..... 102 68
Post office..... 45 65
Note and interest..... 51 05
Miscellaneous..... 1 75
Balance on hand..... 18 29

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ASSETS.

Value of books in Library..... 1890 57
other assets..... 175 00
Cash on hand..... 18 29

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LIABILITIES.

Notes or other obligations outstanding..... 94 91

On motion of F. B. Geddes and C. L.
Crassweller the report was adopted.

The election of a Board of Directors
for 1900 was then proceeded with by
ballot, the following being chosen:—
Miss Kirkwood, R. B. Brett, J. R. Mc-
Ewan, A. Raines, C. L. Crassweller, G.
W. Keith, E. A. Wisner, Miss Gahan
and G. J. Thomas.

After the passing of a vote of thanks
to the members of the past term's
board the meeting adjourned.

A fire which broke out at 2 o'clock
Sunday morning on the premises of
Eli Meloche, at Petit Cote, destroyed
a large straw stack and eight loads of
coal feller. The barn was also badly
scorched but the stock was saved. The
origin of the fire is unknown.

Capt. Entledge, of Essex, gave an
entertainment in the Methodist Church on
Tuesday evening consisting of lantern
views from "The Torn Bible,"

Township Officers.

Monday, January 8th.
The various township councils met
on Monday last for organization and
about the first business transacted was
the appointment of officers. Below will
be found some of the officers appointed.

MAIDSTONE—Clerk, M. McHugh;

Assessor, Richard Mooney; Auditors,
F. B. Firth and Albert D. Wallace;

Medical Health Officer, Dr. Millen;

Members Board of Health, Reeve,

Clerk, Messrs. Potter, Dunn and Con-
roy.

GOSFIELD NORTH—Clerk, Isaac Jack-
son; Treasurer, James Bain; Assessor,
Wm. Millen; Auditors, W. H. Neville
and Walter Noble; Medical Health
Officer, Dr. J. W. Brien.

SANDWICH NORTH—Clerk, John Moy-
han; Auditors, John Holden and
Thomas Jobin. The Assessor will be
appointed at the next meeting.

COLCHESTER NORTH—Clerk, A. C.
Atkinson; Treasurer, Henry Baker; Audit-
ors, Chas. Cunningham; Auditors, M. Barrett
and J. A. Coulter.

ROCHESTER.—Clerk, Séraphin Du-
charme; Assessor, Michael Byrne; the
Board of Health, Reeve, Clerk, Messrs.
McNaughton, Sylvain; Sanitary Inspector, N. Gan-
quier; Medical Health Officer, Dr.
Amyot; Auditors, John Fitzgerald and
M. L. Byrne.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

F. G. PARK, Issuer of Marriage Licenses
Essex, Ont.

M. BARRETT, Issuer of Marriage Licenses
Commissioners in G. J. O'Brien, Galt, Ont.

W. D. BURMAN, Issuer of Marriage Licenses
Insurance agent, Night office at dwelling
house, Essex.

UNDERTAKING.

H. PLUMMER, Undertaker and furniture
firm, D. & J. C. Cullis, home and factory made,
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SOCIETIES

I. O. O. C.—ENTERPRISE Lodge, No. 318,
metastuary Thursday evening, at 8 P.M. in
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street, Galt. Visiting members of other lodges
will be given a special welcome. JOSEPH
MAYVILLE, E. W. G.

GENERAL EQUIPMENT, No. 60, meets in
dinner room, Municipal Building, the first
and third Tuesday in the month. Visitors
daily received. Members of subordinate lodges
in the jurisdiction invited to join. JAMES
H. LAIRD, J. P. G. F. Hill, Sec.

E. SIXTH FIRE BRIGADE, MEETS FIRST
Friday evening in every month for
drill meeting and third Friday for practice
in the fireman's room in the Stone Building
Sam. Smith, Chief; E. Parker, Captain;
Geo. Sloane, Lieutenant; J. A. Prinsen, Secretary
H. Crow, Treasurer.

COURT ROYAL, NO. 218, L. O. F.
Meets second and fourth Tuesday in each
month in L. O. F. Hall at 8 o'clock p.m.
Visiting brethren will be given a fraternal wel-
come. Henry Barlow, President; W. Warren Lee, R.
H. Wu, Riddick, C. D. H. C. R., A. Raines,
Financial Secretary and Treasurer.

LEGAL.

E. A. WISMER, Barrister, Solicitor, Notary
Public, &c. Money to loan. Offices, Dun-
stoun, up-stairs, Essex. 4-17

Very Wm. Barrister, Solicitor, Notary
Public, Money to loan. Particulars
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W. C. CLAINE, GOWAN, BARTLET & BARTLET,
Barristers, etc. Offices—Maidstone Block,
Windsor. Private funds to loan. A. H. CLARKE
L. L. B. M. E. COWAN, M. P. & R. A. BARTLET
& B. BARTLET, B. A.

HENRY U. WALTHEIM LL.B., Attorney and
Counselor at law, Solicitor in Chancery
Practicing in Admiralty, Patent, Solicitor, and
Chamber of Commerce Building, Detroit, Mich.
(General claims against persons in the
United States collected.)
Reference Imperial Bank, Essex, Ont.

L. J. PATER, Esq., Barrister, etc., Windsor.

A. Wismar, Esq. Barrister, etc., Essex, Ont.

EDICAL.

D. B. BROWN & MUNRO

Jas. Brier, M. D., L. B. C. O. P. S. Graduate of
Queen's U., Kingston, Physician in Charge of
College of Physicians and Surgeons, Ontario. Grad-
uate of the Faculty of Medicine of the Royal College
of Physicians and Surgeons, Medical College
Specialty, Operative Surgery. Diseases
of the Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat.

George G. Munro, M. D. C. O. P. S. Grad-
uate of Trinity University, Toronto, Member of
College of Physicians and Surgeons, Ontario.
Specialty: Attention to Diseases of Women and
Children.

J. W. Brien, Esq., Medical Hall drug store,
in rooms, both on ground floor and
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supplies to from juice, drug store, or
residence. Talbot street, north of
residence. Talbot street, north of

J. W. BRIEN.

J. W. Brier, M. D., C. M., F. T. M. C. Honar-
able Graduate, Trinity Medical College. Honor
Graduate of Trinity University. Member of the
College of Physicians and Surgeons, Ont. Graduate
of New York Post Graduate Medical
College.

Office and residence, Talbot street, next to
Post Office, opposite Town Hall.

D. B. J. E. JENNER, Associate Coroner, for
the County of Essex.

J. E. CARLETON, M. D. C. M., Trinity Univer-
sity, J. P. & S. Ontario; L. B. C. O. P. S. Graduate
Physician, London, Eng.; Scholarships in
Medical College, 1888; appointed
House Physician and Surgeon, Toronto General
Hospital and Resident Accomplice, Burnsides
Lying in Hospital, Toronto, 1884. Specialty, dis-
eases of women and children. Residence, houses
lately occupied by Dr. Dewar, Talbot st., Essex.

Office in Imperial Bazaar Block, ground floor,
opposite Tuck's drug store. Medicines dis-
pensed in the office. Telephone connection with
both office and residence. Private tele-
phone line at 222 Cyril Paquette's house at Cam-
po. Dan Kinsella's house, office, at Paquette
Station on the L. & G. R. R.

Office and residence, Talbot street, opposite to office or residence.

D. B. J. E. JENNER, M. D., C. M., C. M. C.
Graduate of Trinity Medical College, Toronto.
Physician, L. B. C. O. P. S. Graduate
of New York Post Graduate Medical College,
1884. Office and Residence—House lately
occupied by Dr. George, McKenzie, Talbot st., Essex.

DENTAL.

J. F. MARTIN, D. D. S., L. D. S. Graduate
in Dentistry, Royal College of Dental
Surgeons, Ontario, and University of Toronto.
Charing, London, Office, over Essex Medi-
cal Hall, Talbot street, Essex. 18-19

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W. H. RICHARDSON, VETERINARY SUR-
GEON. Honorary graduate of Ontario
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Building, side entrance, infirmary, directly
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JAMES S. LAIRD, Provincial Land Surveyor
and County Engineer, Essex, Ont.
Office, Dunstan Block, up-stairs

AUCTIONEERS.

JOHN GORMLEY,
LICENSED AUCTIONEER for the County
of Essex. All kinds of farm stock, sales, etc.
conducted promptly and on short notice. Rates
reasonable. Persons desirous to arrange sales
may do so by calling at the Post Office sales
box by applying to J. GORMLEY, Essex, Ont.

JESSE WHITE, Licensed Auctioneer for the
County of Essex. All kinds of sales at
a reasonable rate. Address Cottam
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FRANK McLELLAN, Maidstone, thirty
years' experience as an auctioneer in
the County of Essex. Sales conducted promptly
and on reasonable terms. Parties desirous of
fixing date for a sale can save themselves a
detour by calling at the Post Office office. We
have a large stock of farm machinery and will fix
dates for sales by telephone, on short notice.
Reference Frank McLeekan, Maidstone, Essex, Ont.

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EST PERSONS to represent us as managers
in this and close by counties. Salary \$200 a
year and expenses. Straight, bona fide, no
more, no less salary. Position permanent. Our
references are any bank in the town. It is mainly
office work conducted at home. References
must be self-addressed stamped envelope. The
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100 for 10 cents This book contains
the best known remedies, embracing the
Regal, Yankee, Irish, and French dialects, both in
French and English, as well as numerous compositions
of various physicians. Price 10 cents. Postage 10 cents.
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THE BLUEBIRD.

A glint of blue sits 'neath the sky
A living gem, light winged and shy,
Enjoying its brief playtime.

Now, perch'd upon an alder spray
That bends beneath its lightness,
It gives unto the day day
A soft and sudden brightness.

And from its little throbbing throat
Comes, "Twitter, twitter, twitter!"

A sweet, a swift, a slender note,
But never one that's bitter.

It is the voice that tells of spring,
At rosy dawn and after;
The busy bluethroat warbling
A song of love and laughter.

—A. T. SCHREIBER.

ONE INSTITUTE

Story of a Girl Who Made a Mis-
take.

BY H. W. PATTON

Once upon a time the writer was trav-
eling along in a buckboard, called a
stage for courtesy, on a lonely road near
the border of Mexico and about 90 miles
from San Diego. The driver, named
Charley, was an honest faced, sturdy and
good natured fellow, about 35 years old—
somewhat weather beaten, but good to
look at within.

We crawled along over the dusty road,
enlivening the way with conversation,
principally sustained by the driver. Sud-
denly I saw Charley's face cloud up.

It was a lovely day in December. The
early rains had put the roads in fine condition.
The grass was up, the flowers in bloom and nature wore that most
charming of smiles which is only lavish-
ed on southern California in the winter.

"How's Dora?" I asked.

"Jest the same, only purtier," replied
Charley. "I see her every day, and by
gosh, I dream of her every night."

"Do you speak as you pass by?" I
asked.

"She does," he replied laconically.

"By the way, Charley, I'm going to
stop at old man Thing's, near Pottro-
ro, until your next trip," I said.

"Why, that's where Dora boards!" he
cried. "You'll git to see her." Then he
inquired suspiciously. "Air you a mar-
ried man, stranger?"

"I am," I said. And he looked re-
lieved.

I stopped off at old man Thing's and
met Dora.

After dinner we sat out under a big
live oak tree after the others had re-
tired, and I found Dora a really good,
simple hearted, if rather light headed,
young girl of average good looks, en-
hanced by contrast with the muchachas
del pais (girls of the country) and a very
fair sample of the normal school girl who
is sent out to waste her sweetness upon
the desert air until she arrives at that
spectated stage of severity which enti-
tles her to teach in town.

I led her to talk of Charley and told
her how he adored her and how her
heartless flirting had ruined his life. I
discovered that she was softly crying in
the moonlight, and she said, "I know I
am a little wretched, but, oh, if you knew
how I suffer when I see Charley go by
each day without speaking you'd pity me.
I think he is the handsomest, strongest
and bravest man in the whole world."

"How about the way you treated him
in San Diego?" I asked.

"Oh, that horrid institute!" she sobbed.

"The music and lights and the talk of
those male schoolteachers got into my
head, and when Charley came in dressed
in that perfectly awful suit and I heard
them all laughing at him I was foolish
enough to be ashamed of him. It was
for only a moment, however. I deter-
mined to dance no more that night and to
devote myself to him, regardless of the
laughter and queer looks, but when I
went for him he had gone, and now I've lost
him forever." And her tears flowed
faster and faster.

"Do you think you could fix things if
you had Charles alone for about ten min-
utes?"

"Just let me get the chance," she said,
dryling her tears, while a look of lofty resolu-
tion came over her face.

As I went to bed I pondered on how
easy it was for a third party to bring two
people together when it seemed impos-
sible for them to get there without assist-
ance.

The next morning I left for Campo,
and I dwelt considerably on Dora's failing health and my belief that she
was pining away for the love of him, but
he was as stubborn as a bucking broncho
and kept muttering things about "white-
washed sepulchers."

Just before we got opposite old man
Thing's I grew deathly sick and swore I
would die if I did not stop and get some
medicine for which the old man was
justly famous.

Dora came through the trees just as I
made Charley stop, while I leaped from
the wagon and went to the house. I staid
away about half an hour, and when I got
back it was a couple of turtle doves trim-
med on the front seat of that glorified old
buckboard.

The last I heard from Charles and Dora
they were settled on the Jamul ranch,
with a bouncing boy named Patton Burg-
man and called Pat for short.—Everett
Independent.

Modern Olive Oil.

Improvement in processes does not al-
ways spell progress. It appears, as the
introduction of machinery in the olive dis-
tricts of Italy has caused an increase of
the quantity of oil produced, but a reduc-
tion of quality as far as the best grades
are concerned. A typical province is Ta-
ranto, where machinery has effected
indefinite changes in the olive oil.

Under the old system three or more dis-
tinct qualities of oil were produced, the
olives being passed and repassed several
times through hand worked presses, each
time producing an oil of poorer quality.
When no more oil could be extracted in
this way, the "seeds," or "grounds," was
treated with sulphuric acid to produce an
inferior oil, which is used in the man-
ufacture of soap.

The introduction of the hydraulic press,
however, has done away with these dis-
tinctive grades. A larger quantity of oil
is produced, but the quality, taken as a
whole, deteriorates, and the higher class
of eating oil can only be obtained by re-
peated filtration. Though the oil produced
in this way is excellent in color and ap-
pearance, after continual straining it
loses much of its flavor and lacks the
fruity taste which distinguishes the best
oil produced by the old method of extra-
ction.—Merchant's Review.

I was kinder dazed at first, but finally
I got my eyes on to Dora, and I'm gla-
d to say she warn't gaperin around the
rooms in the arms of a dud blaster, pipe-
stove legged, curly headed son of a gun.

And she had less clo's on to the upper
part of her than any gal in the room.

"They war a-walkzin, and when the
music stopped I walked up to whar they
had sat down, thinkin' how Dora's face
old light up when she see me. That
war a sort of bags and titter as I crossed
the room, and I thought they war admiring
in my new clo's.

"When I got to Dora, her face got
fiery red, while the thin legged fellow
grinned in my face and left. I sat down
by her and said, "Howdy," and she an-
swered icy cold, "Good evenin', Mr. Bur-
man." Just then another thin legged fel-
low cum up, and stickin' out his arm said,
"Our dance, Miss Dora." She took his arm
and went off without as much as lookin
at me.

"I got out of that hall somehow and
got to my room, feelin' that the whole
bottoms'd fell outen the world and I'd
tell with it.

"Dora got back home in a neighbor's
wagon, and I ain't never spoke to her
sense, tho' she's on the road some place
every time I pass, and that's why I say
she can go to thunder."

Charley relapsed into moody silence,
only broken by the swish of the whip as
he occasionally slipped a fly off the ear
of his nigh leader. I looked at him at-
tentively to see if he possessed any qual-
ities which would appeal to a young girl
with enough smattering of education to
teach a country school. After a careful
survey I concluded that in view of his
good heart, good looks and \$7,000 in cash
he might be loved.

We crawled along over the dusty road,
enlivening the way with conversation,
principally sustained by the driver. Sud-
denly I saw Charley's face cloud up.

It was a lovely day in December. The
early rains had put the roads in fine condition.
The grass was up, the flowers in bloom and nature wore that most
charming of smiles which is only lavish-
ed on southern California in the winter.

"How's Dora?" I asked.

"By the way, Charley, I'm going to
stop at old man Thing's, near Pottro-
ro, until your next trip," I said.

"Why, that's where Dora boards!" he
cried. "You'll git to see her." Then he
inquired suspiciously. "Air you a mar-
ried man, stranger?"

"I am," I said. And he looked re-
lieved.

I stopped off at old man Thing's and
met Dora.

After dinner we sat out under a big
live oak tree after the others had re-
tired, and I found Dora a really good,
simple hearted, if rather light headed,
young girl of average good looks, en-
hanced by contrast with the muchachas
del pais (girls of the country) and a very
fair sample of the normal school girl who
is sent out to waste her sweetness upon
the desert air until she arrives at that
spectated stage of severity which enti-
tles her to teach in town.

I led her to talk of Charley and told
her how he adored her and how her
heartless flirting had ruined his life. I
discovered that she was softly crying in
the moonlight, and she said, "I know I
am a little wretched, but, oh

repare

For Cold and Wet Weather.

This fine fall weather can't last much longer and all should prepare for the break-up by investing in

...Rubbers and Heavy Boots.

Have in Stock Rubbers and Cardigans, for Women, Misses and Children. Long Rubber Boots, Klondike Rubbers and Sox, and Heavy Boots for Men and Boys.

Special Line of Women's, Misses' and Children's Box Calf Bals, which should be examined.

Call and see and if prices and goods don't suit, don't buy.

R. SONLEY,

Opposite New Town Hall.

The Essex Free Press.

BRETT & AULD, PROPRIETORS.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 12, 1900.

The House of Refuge by-law will be up for its third reading at the session of the county council on Tuesday.

The annual meeting of the South Essex Agricultural Society will be held at Kingville on Wednesday next and North Essex Society will meet at Woodslee the same day.

The Court of Appeal will resume its sittings at Toronto, on Tuesday, January 16th. The drainage case of Master North vs. Gosfield North on the 9th concession drain, is fourth on the list.

Following supplementary meetings of the Farmers' Institute are arranged:—Wheatley, Gibson's Hall, February 9th; Leamington, hall, Saturday, February 10th; Woodslee, town hall, Monday, February 11th; Harrow, town hall, Tuesday, February 13th; Essex, town hall, Friday 14th; Amherstburg, town hall, Saturday, February 15th. The speakers will include Henry Glendinning, Mr. W. N. Hutt, of

farmers of Ontario are not alone in their grievances against the porkers. At the annual meeting of the Irish Co-operative Societies recently held at Dublin, one of the speakers called attention to the fact that while the price of bacon continued practically the same the price of pigs had gone down. Other speakers followed on much the same line, the general opinion being that the remedy was co-operative packing factories similar to those established in Denmark. At the close of the discussion the following resolution was carried unanimously: That in view of the fact that the bacon curers have reduced the price of bacon while keeping up the price of bacon, this conference is of opinion that the time has come to consider the question of establishing co-operative bacon-curing factories."

The County Council meets in regular session on Monday next, January 15th. The first business to come before the council will be the selection of a Warden for 1900 and the two names most prominently mentioned for the position are those of J. E. Stone, of No. 2 District and J. D. A. Deziel, of No. 5 District. As the warden of 1899, J. A. Buchanan, is the other representative from the fifth district it would seem that Mr. Stone has the best claim in the position. Mr. Stone has held a seat at the county council for seven years and Mr. Deziel has held a seat for five years. While we believe both would make efficient wardens we think No. 2 District is fairly entitled to the office this term. It has been the custom in the Essex County Council for years that the office should be given to the two ridings alternately, and as the North Riding has had it for two years in succession, Mr. Stone's claims should be still stronger. Mr. Stone is also the oldest member of the County Council who has not filled the office of Warden.

Colchester North Agricultural Society.

The annual meeting of the Colchester North Agricultural Society was held at the Town Hall, Essex, on Wednesday at 1 o'clock p.m., M. Barrett, Vice President, in the chair. The minutes of the last annual meeting were read and motion adopted. The Auditors' report and Treas. financial statement were read and, on motion, adopted. The following officers were then duly elected:—President, Fred T. McGee; Vice President, William Campbell; Directors, T. W. Weyburn, D. Kennedy, James Gerard, M. Barrett, John Laing, L. Park, W. D. Beaman, W. H. Russell and R. H. Brett.

It was moved by Mr. Laing, seconded by Mr. Beaman, that a vote of thanks be tendered John Walters and J. E. James for their services as auditors and that they be re-appointed for 1900, and at the Sec. communicated this motion. —Carried.

On motion, the meeting adjourned.

Maidstone Council.

Monday, Jan. 8th. The members-elect for 1900 held, pursuant to statutes, their first meeting at 11 a.m. The names of said members are Peter Corbett, Reeve; William H. Potter, Stephen Couroy, Thos Paisley and Jules Damm, Councillors. Each made and subscribed his declaration of qualification and of office and took his seat at the Council Board.

Moved by Mr. Damm, seconded by Mr. Potter, that M. McHugh be clerk at the same salary as he was paid last year. —Carried.

Moved by Messrs Damm and Paisley, that Richard Mooney be assessor at a salary of \$89. —Carried.

Moved by Messrs Damm and Potter, that Albert D. Wallace and F. B. Fuerth be auditors for the year 1900 at a salary of \$25 each. —Carried.

Moved by Messrs Corroy and Paisley, that W. M. Millen, M. D., be Medical Health Officer for the year 1900. —Carried.

Moved by Messrs Damm and Paisley, that the following be appointed Fenceviewers:—Jacques Lesperance, Eusebio St. Peter, Arthur Wilson, Andrew Wood, Philip May, John Ouellette, John Lee, John Clickner and Alexander Lesperance, and that the following with the Reeve and Clerk, compose the Board of Health:—Wm. H. Potter for one year, Jules Damm for two years and Stephen Couroy for three years. —Carried.

The following other officers were appointed:—Poundkeepers—Division No. 1, Wm. Wallace; Nicholas Hicks, Arthur Price, sr., John Hersey, John Miller, Moses Papineau and John Caudill; Division No. 2, Thos Barnes, John O'Brien, W. D. Beattie, Joseph Quinn, W. J. Allison and William Wilcox.

Sheep Valuators—Wm. Wallace, for Polling Sub-Division No. 1; Michael Pfahler, for Div. 2; Jos. Jones, for Div. 3; Isaac Hillier, for Div. 4; E. E. Wismer, for Div. 5. Drain Inspectors—Noah Gauthier, for Div. 1; John Donnelly, for Div. 2; Timothy McGuire, for Div. 3; Dom Gaughan, Div. 4; K. J. Wilson, Div. 5. Overseers of Highways—Michel Damm, Noah Gauthier, Maurice Maitre, Geo Jobin, Wm. Maisonneuve, Geo Beckett, Wm. Angus, Thos Crozier, Damien Bajlareon, John Donnelly, Chas Chauvin, John Baldwin, Chas. Hicks, Wm. Baner, D. M. Ronke, John Bauer, John King, Peter Dufrane, John Miller, Wm. Girard, Eusebio St. Peter, Guil Ladoon, B. Conway, John Hostine, Oliver Plant, Wm. Wilcox, John Robson, E. Barham, E. J. Smith, Wm. Smith, James Hillier, Alex Gunn, Wm. Greenway, jr., Thos Houston, Thos. Tally, Hugh Wigle, John Lickman, M. J. McCamp, William Nesbitt, John Ellis, John Costigan, Jos. Jones, Ed. Chittie, Rich Mooney, John Barnes, W. H. Cline, Alex McDowell, Nicholas Hicks, R. Fairbairn, Alex Renard and Francis McHugh.

Moved by Mr. Potter, seconded by Mr. Corroy, that the application of

Messrs Brett & Auld, of THE ESSEX FREE PRESS, for the township printing for 1900 on same terms as last year, be accepted. —Carried.

Evangeliste Decarie presented bill of \$6.50, for couch furnished for use of small-pox nurse. On motion of Messrs Corroy and Damm, said bill was paid.

On motion, F. McHugh was refunded

\$6, the statute labor on lot 18, n. w. 1/4 in 5th con., for 1897-98, the labor having

been performed in the division and the

statute labor paid in cash to the County Treasurer on said lands for said years.

Frank May presented bill, \$12.49,

for goods furnished on sherry account.

On motion of Messrs Damm and Corroy, said bill was paid.

On motion of Messrs Paisley and Corroy, Geo. Myles was paid \$20, for drawing plank and repairing the Woodslee sidewalk.

K. J. Wilson presented bill, \$5, for services as drain inspector for 1899. On motion of Messrs Potter and Paisley, said bill was paid.

Moved by Mr. Damm, seconded by

Mr. Paisley, that the Collector's time

for the levy and collection of unpaid

taxes be extended till the evening of

February 3rd, next. —Carried.

Peter Corbett presented bill, \$8, made up as follows:—Preparing statement of finances, \$3; trip to Belle River and Woodslee, B. of H. account, \$3.50; services on Board of Health, \$1.50. On motion of Messrs Corroy and Paisley, said bill was paid.

Dr. Anderson presented bill for professional services rendered small-pox patients in Maidstone up to Jan. 1st of the present year. On motion of Messrs Corroy and Damm, \$150 was paid on said bill.

W. J. McKee presented bill, \$64.62, for planks furnished for the repair of the sidewalk on the west side of Pike Creek, from Tecumseh Road to the Grand Trunk Railway station. On motion of Messrs Potter and Corroy, said bill was paid.

D. Gaughan presented bill, \$7, balance due him for services as drain inspector during the past year. On motion of Messrs Paisley and Damm, said bill was paid.

On motion of Messrs Damm and Potter, F. Dumonchelle was paid \$2, for use of his parlor as court room in the Beaconsfield Drain appeal case.

On motion of Messrs Damm and Paisley, P. Major was paid \$32.60, for material for bridge on west side of Puce.

On motion of Messrs Damm and Corroy, P. Major was given a lease of statute labor on lots 1, 2, p. 2, n. 1, E. R. P. for the years 1899, 1900, 1901, 1902 and 1903, for work performed.

The Clerk presented a bill, \$6, for services and disbursements in the Municipal election, and \$15, for refund of amount paid by him for stationery and postage in 1899. On motion, said bills were paid.

The members of the Council discussed at considerable length the advisability of a change in our present Statute labor system which would have the effect of having the Statute labor pre-

pared excellently. They are elated at the service they have rendered the Queen. The enemy were repulsed

everywhere, with very heavy loss, greatly exceeding that on my side, which will be reported as soon as possible.

Solomon Hodel, of Bright, was killed by a stamp falling on him.

JANUARY, 1900.

We are determined to make the closing year of the 19th Century a record breaker in the history of our business, and in order to carry out this idea we start the year with a

Record Breaking Stock-Taking Sale...

Clothing should go with a Galop at these Prices:—

Men's good, serviceable Overcoats, well lined, at \$2.95.

30 Men's Tweed and Worsted Overcoats, worth up to \$15, for \$4.95.

The choice of all our Men's Ulsters at a reduction of 20 per cent.

20 Men's Suits, sizes 36 to 42, at a discount of 25 per cent.

15 per cent. off the balance of our Men's fine Tweed and Worsted Suits.

20 Youth's Suits, sizes 31 to 35, worth \$3.50 to \$6, at 25 per cent. off.

The choice of all the balance of our Youth's Suits at 15 per cent off.

20 Boys' Suits, age 7 to 11 years, worth \$3 to \$4.50, at a discount of 25 per cent.

The choice of the balance of our Boys' Suits at 15 per cent. off regular prices.

Boys' Overcoats at 15 to 25 per cent. off. Boys' Odd Vests at 25c and 50c each.

Men's fine Persian Lamb Caps, small sizes, worth \$5.50, for \$3.75.

Any Hat in Stock, Hard or Soft, for Man or Boy, at 25 per cent. off.

Men's Unlined Kid Gloves, small sizes (7½, 7¾), worth \$1, for 75c.

Men's Lined Kid Gloves, small sizes (7½ only), worth \$1, for 75c.

Men's extra heavy lined Driving Gloves, worth \$2, for \$1.25.



Keep the Feet Warm and Dry—Health.

2 Pair Wool Socks Free with each pair Men's Stoga Boots.

Men's Felt Lined Shoes, 4 buckle, sizes 6, 7, worth \$3, for \$1.95.

25c. \$1.50.

Boys' Stoga Boots, sizes 1 to 5, good value at \$1.75, for \$1.25.

Yamaska make, Boys' Boots, extra quality, \$2, for \$1.50.

All Ladies Admire Nice Dress Goods.

Here's a chance to get the finest in the land at low prices.

The choice of all our best Black Crepons, Black Brilliantines, Black Lustres, Colored Serges, Whip Cords, Box Cloths, Cashmeres, Tweeds, Plaids and Novelties at Fifteen per cent. off our regular close prices.

About 30 pieces Colored Serges, Tweeds, Cashmeres, etc., at 25 per cent. off.

Five Chenille Curtains.

Fawn, Cardinal, Olive and Brown, with fancy borders, worth \$3.50, for \$2.63; worth \$4.50, for \$3.88.

LACE CURTAINS worth 50c, for 38c; worth 75c, for 50c; worth \$1, 75c, etc.

3 Doz. Ladies' Corsets

Sizes 18, 24 to 29. Fine Goods at 20 per cent. off regular prices.



One only Lady's Greenland Seal Muff and Shoulder Cape, former price \$16.50, sale price, just one-half, \$8.25.

Child's White Wool Muffs and Boas, worth \$1.25, for \$1; worth \$1.25, for 95c.

Child's White Wool Collarettes, worth \$1.50 for 95c, (only a few left)

Girl's Fine Wool Tam O'Shanters, worth 50c to 75c, sale price only 25c.

Fine Fingering Yarns, in blue, green, brown and grey, at 5c. per skein.

And scores of other bargains throughout the stock.

The above are all First-Class Goods, with genuine reductions from our regular close prices. Come Early and often.

DUNSTAN BLOCK, ESSEX.

M. J. WIGLE & CO.

each year, and further, that to each pathmaster making his return as above will be paid \$1 from the funds of the municipality for making such return.

On motion, Council adjourned to meet again on Saturday, Feb. 3rd.

An Open Letter.

To the general public and the farming community in particular:

I desire to return my sincere thanks for the very generous measure of patronage you have been so kindly pleased to bestow upon me for the past seven years. It has been so generous and liberal that I have frequently wondered why it was until a customer solved it in a word, viz., "That I had never broken faith with anyone of my customers, nor wronged them five cents." I will add to that solution by saying if there is anyone who has or imagines he has a real or fancied grievance of any kind I will be only too glad for him to call that I may have an opportunity to satisfy him with a friendly and honorable adjustment. I also take pleasure in announcing that I am acting as agent for two of the best Canadian firms, manufacturing agricultural machinery in Ontario, viz., Sylvester Bros., Mfg. Co., of Lindsay, and D. Maxwell & Sons, of St. Mary's, Ont., and I will feel myself doubly grateful for a continuance of the same generous patronage bestowed upon me heretofore, and that I will promise you my best services, my experience and knowledge of your wants has given me.

You will find me still doing business at the same old stand, where I hope by strict attention to merit a continuance of your custom.

Yours for business,

JACOB MITCHELL,

South Woodslee, Ont.

N. B.—See our advt. next week.

Wm. Campbell, of Chatham, County Court Clerk, was killed by falling from a C. P. R. train at Milton.

The battle for the feather-weight boxing championship in New York on Tuesday night was won by Terry McGovern in the eighth round from Geo.

Money To Loan.

H DAYKIN,
Talbot St., Essex.

Fire, Life and Accident Insurance
and Real Estate.

Conveyancer.
Agency for Ocean Steamships.

Part and Town Properties for Sale and to
Lense.

Mrs. (Dr.) DAWAR, of Windsor, has
been visiting at Dr. H. P. Martin's.

The first meeting of the town Public
School board will be held on Wednesday
day next.

Miss MILDRED KERR, of Walkerville,
spent a week with her aunt, Mrs. A.
Raines, returning home on Monday.

Miss EMMA TAYLOR, of Duluth,
Minn., has been spending a few days
in town, the guest of Mrs. W. Church.

URBAN school boards hold their first
meeting on the third Wednesday in
January, at the hour of seven o'clock
in the afternoon.

JOSEPH CROW stepped on a nail on
Friday last, the nail penetrating his
foot to quite a depth. He has since
been unable to walk.

THE sealette muff and pair of men's
mitts advertised in last week's FREE
PRESS were returned to the owner on
Saturday. The moral is plain.

A LETTER has been received from Ot-
tawa stating that the Fenian raid
medals will be ready for distribution
about January 20th for districts Nos. 1, 2
and 3.

Some boy left a pair of skates at the
front door of our office a few weeks ago
and as we do not find much time to use
them will be pleased to turn them over
to him if he will call.

J. L. STEWART and Everett Richard-
son, who have been spending the vaca-
tion in this vicinity, returned to Tor-
onto on Tuesday to resume their stud-
ies at the university.

A NUMBER of local Oddfellows accom-
panied D. D. G. M. McCrory to King-
ville on Friday evening last and visited
Concord Lodge there. On Monday

a load went from here to Harron
where the D. D. G. M. installed officers

of members of the society in ad-
dition.

Minutes of the previous annual meet-
ing were read and, on motion of Frank

Hogan and S. Diemer, adopted.

The report of the officers for the year
was read. The report showed that during

the year one new Division had been
made known as No. 14; \$272 had been
paid for stock, of which \$72 was for

four hogs and \$200 for two bulls; the
society has claims on ten animals, of

which eight expire in 1900 and the
other two in 1901, while the term in

the three divisions expired during the year

and all have applied to renew. The
fair at Belle River, on the 12th and 13th

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large gate receipts, and also recom-
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limited to its present standing.

On motion of Ed Plant and James

Hedrick, the report was adopted.

Frank Hogan, one of the Auditors,

presented the Auditors' report show-
ing the following:—

High School Notes.

Nominations of officers for the
Lyceum for the current term took place
on Friday with election on Wednesday
when the following were elected:—
President, S. Wightman; Vice Pres.,
Miss Thibadeau; Sec., Miss K. Laing;
Treas., S. P. L'Esperance; Editor, J.
McBeth; Reporter, W. Elliott; Critic,
R. Osborne; Committee, H. Tack-
berry, J. A. Oliver and L. Wigle.

The Three Greatest.

THE most remarkable paper of the
most remarkable century is undoubtedly the
"Family Herald and Weekly Star," of
Montreal. It is said that no less than
twenty thousand now subscribers were
received by that paper in December.
The "Family Herald's" success is phenom-
enal and well deserved. Less than
two per cent. of their last year's sub-
scribers failed to renew before the ex-
piring dates, and these few will, no
doubt, again join the ranks when they
find out their loss. The publishers
are guaranteeing the beautiful pic-
tures "Alma" and "Pussy Willows"
through this month, but not guaran-
teeing later, as the supply is fast being
exhausted, and it is scarcely possible
they will be able to get more.

R. & M. Agricultural Society.

The annual meeting of the members
of the Rochester and Maidstone Agricul-
tural Society was held at the Union
Hall, South Woodstock, on Wednesday,
at 1 p.m., with the President, J. J.
Dewhurst, in the chair and a fair num-
ber of members of the society in at-
tendance.

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RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand	\$ 93.13
Magazine Grant	121.00
Membership	225.00
Subscriptions	621.43
Donations	25.00
Prize money retained for 1900	18.00
Gate receipts	181.42
Rent of ground, stalls, etc.	31.10
Miscellaneous	35.95
Total	\$ 1191.03

EXPENDITURES.

Fitting up grounds, etc.	\$ 378.00
Purchase of live stock	48.43
Working expenses, including salaries	272.00
Miscellaneous	12.00
Balance on hand	361.00
Total	\$ 1191.03

The assets show \$363.60 of balance
on hand and \$400 value of live stock.
The liabilities amount to \$25, being
salary due Treasurer. The society has
a membership of 283.

On motion of Messrs. Fuerth and
Wilcox, the report was adopted.

The Secretary-Treasurer presented a
report showing how the fair stood with
the society.

The question of limiting the number
of divisions was brought up and caused
considerable discussion. A resolution
was finally adopted that no new
divisions be taken in this year.

The election of officers was then
proceeded with and resulted as follows:
President, Oliver Plant; 1st Vice Pres.,
S. Diemer; 2nd Vice Pres., A. W. Cohoe;
Directors, George Leak, F. B. Fuert; J.
John Mullins, Jr., J. J. Dewhurst, Jos.
Ladoucer, W. G. Taylor, J. W. Strong,
Ed McPharlin, and R. F. Seymour.

Auditors, Ed Plant and Henry Hed-
rick.

On motion of James Hedrick and O.
J. Wilcox, a vote of thanks was passed
to the retiring President, J. J. Dew-
hurst.

The Directors then met, with the
President, Oliver Plant, in the chair and
the following present: 1st Vice Pres.,
S. Diemer; 2nd Vice Pres., A. W. Cohoe;
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John Mullins, Jr., J. J. Dewhurst, Jos.
Ladoucer, W. G. Taylor, J. W. Strong,
Ed McPharlin, and R. F. Seymour.

On motion of Messrs. Fuerth and
Taylor, A. W. Cohoe was appointed
secretary-treasurer for 1900.

On motion of the meeting adjourned,
DIRECTORS' MEETING.

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On motion of the Secretary Treasurer
was paid \$5 for postage and stationery
for past year, and the auditors were
paid \$2 each for services last year.

Board then adjourned.

To Cure a Cold in One Day

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All
druggists refund the money if it fails to cure.
E. W. Grove's signature is on each box.

For Sale.

A 2-YEAR-OLD Jersey Bull, thoroughbred;
will be sold cheap. Apply to GEORGE
COLLENTY, Guelph P.O., Ont.

Farm For Sale.

THE south east part of lot 1, in the 1st con-
cession of Guelph North, containing 48
acres, part of red, good soil, an orchard on
premises; will sell cheap and can be
brought into bearing.

Apply to HANCOCK & SON, South Woodstock.

LOST.

ON Saturday afternoon, December 30th, el-
sewhere at the side of Diebel & Bricker's store or
between Diebel & Bricker's store and Cyrus
Smith's, in Malden, a dark Astrakhan Cape
without collar. Finder will please return to

MISS L. TOWNSEND, Essex P.O.

Lost.

18 Talbot street between S. E. Wigle's resi-
dence and store, a leather pocket book,
with "Compliments of J. F. Smyth & Co.",
wholesale grocers, Windsor, Ont., inside of
book. In book were four notes, all payable to
order of S. E. Wigle, besides some other
papers. Finder will be amply rewarded by
returning same to S. E. Wigle, Essex.

WHITNEY BROS. BIG JANUARY SALE

AFTER the crowd of buyers who took advantage of our January Sale last year we have entered into this sale feeling
assured that our Store will be thronged with people every day during this Great Cut Rate Sale. The reason
we have got to make this Sale is that our Store is packed full of Goods from floor to ceiling and we have no room
Plunge the Knife way down Deep into Prices. The Goods we offer were all purchased before the very heavy advance
in prices, and during this Sale you get the advantage of this low buying as well as the Cut-in-Two Prices we have in
store for you.

Price List.

Fur Dept.

1 Lady's German Mink Caperine, trimmed with 6 Sable tails, regular price \$20.00
January Sale price \$18.50.
1 Lady's Electric Seal Ripple Caperine, trimmed with Silver Chinchilla and Sable
tails, Latest Opera Style, regular price \$23.50 January Sale price \$15.00.
1 Natural Opposum Storm Collar, regular price \$7.00 sale price \$4.90.
1 Electric Seal Storm Collar, regular price \$8.00 sale price \$5.90.
1 Lady's Black Mountain Bear Cape, 27 inches long, heavily lined, regular price \$10.50
sale price \$8.98.
1 Lady's Astrachan Jacket, 28 inches long, lined with mercerized Satin, regular price
\$28.00 sale price \$21.75.

Dress Goods

150 yds. Blister Crepon, pretty designs, regular price \$1.25, sale price 69c.
800 yds. Blk. Henrietta, 42 inches wide, regular price 50c sale price 36c.
1000 yds. Colored Henrietta in all shades, 44 inches, regular price 65c sale price 49c.
200 yds. Blk. Soliel, regular 65c and \$1.00 sale price 49c and 69c.
10 pieces Fancy Frenzy Plaid Dress Goods, former price 23c sale price 15c.
10 pieces All Wool, 42 inch Serge in all popular shades worth 35c sale price 23c.
1000 yds. Fancy Silks, suitable for Shirtwaists, regular price 60c to \$1.25 sale price 25c
to 75c.

Dress Trimmings.

Large assortment suitable for all classes and shades Dress Goods in Steel Sequin and
braid.
All shades in Silk Ribbons and Velvets.

Remember we are sole agents for Canada Featherbone Co., and carry a complete
stock. Try it in your next Dress.

Veilings...

Dainty Chiffon Veilings, all imported direct, exclusively our own patterns, sale price
from 5c to 35c. Ask to see them.

Wrappers (Ladies)

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The C. P. R. in 1899 sold 410,000 acres in the Northwest, receiving \$1,860,000. In 1897 the land sales were 208,000 acres, and the receipts \$565,000. The official report says that the improvement is due to the increased immigration of a good class of settlers from the United States.

We have made arrangements by which we can give the FREE PRESS and the Toronto Weekly Globe to January 1st, 1901, together with the set of Marion Harland's four volumes, postage paid to subscribers, for \$1.75. It is stated that Lieut.-Gov. Patterson will call upon Hon. Hugh John Macdonald at the beginning of the year to form a cabinet.

The following is from the Ontario Bureau of Statistics bulletin for November: The yield of apples is placed at 19,126,489 bushels or an average of 8.03 bushels per tree of bearing age. Bearing trees number 6,824,842 and the young trees, 3,445,185. The yield of tobacco is estimated at 2,241,562 pounds from 2,265 acres, or 1,016 pounds per acre. Of this amount the County of Essex produced 1,636,760 pounds from 1,411 acres. The production in 1898 was 10,560,590 pounds from 7,871 acres, of which Essex contributed 7,095,970 from 5,086 acres.

The cheese and butter trade brought Canada about \$20,500,000 this year, which is a gain of fully \$4,000,000 over last season. This makes it the "high water mark" year in the history of the country. Extremely good prices ranged for both butter and cheese during the year, and with shipments of butter almost double what they were in 1898, and cheese shipments fully equal to if not greater than last year's figures, it is not hard to find where the gain comes in. It is roughly estimated that cheese exports were worth \$14,700,000, against \$12,500,000 last year, and butter, \$20,000,000 against \$4,000,000.

In October last, Prof. Robertson, commissioner of agriculture and dairying, Ottawa, personally offered one hundred dollars in twenty-four prizes to boys and girls for the one hundred heads of wheat and oats bearing the largest number of seeds. The farmers' boys and girls took the matter up with interest. All the provinces were represented in the competition. British Columbia took first prize for both wheat and oats. The prizes went to the provinces in the following order: Ontario 13; British Columbia 8; Northwest Territories, 2; Manitoba, 2; New Brunswick, 2; Nova Scotia, 1; Quebec, 1. Many very superior samples of grain were submitted and some of the competitors showed much skill and taste in arranging the heads daintily and packing them carefully. Prof. Robertson says that a generous friend, who has the best interests of the farmers' boys and girls and of the agricultural community closely at heart, has made it possible for him to offer cash prizes to the amount of ten thousand dollars for a competition in the selection of seed grain in all the provinces during the next three years. Full particulars regarding this splendid encouragement to farmers' boys and girls will be published early this month.



A Danger Signal.

Just as the light buoy is a signal of danger to sailors, and the red light to railway men, so has nature equipped individuals with danger signals of one kind or another when their physical condition is not quite right. It may simply be a tired feeling, a slight cold, weakness of the muscles, fickle appetite or some other sign—slight at first—which indicates that your condition is not a healthy one. If the danger signal is not heeded, serious results will follow and a complete collapse may occur. In nine cases out of ten the direct cause of the trouble is impoverished blood, or weak nerves. You need something to brace you up—to make your blood rich and your nerves strong. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills is the only medicine that can do this promptly and effectively. They strengthen from first dose to last.

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General County News.

One of the oldest residents of Windsor passed away at an early hour Saturday morning in the person of John Morrison. Deceased was 82 years of age.

Sam. Webb, the colored man, who was drowned at Sandwich last May, had his life insured for \$1,000. Since his death no less than two women have claimed to be his widow and want to be heir. Webb left no will and no heirs and in that case his estate is escheated to the crown. Clarke, Cowan, Bartlet & Bartlet, on behalf of the attorney-general, are applying for administration of his estate.

One of the executors of the estate of the late Thomas W. McKee, of Windsor, has announced that the terms of settlement of the McKee will would give Mrs. McLeod \$5,000 and leave a balance of \$40,000 for Mrs. McKee. Mrs. McLeod's share is in stock, which is held in the Ontario Permanent Loan Society of Woodstock. In the will, Mr. McKee made in favor of Mrs. McLeod, it was stipulated that only her own property, which he held in trust, should go to her in the event of his death.

Mrs. Alice Bensette, for 70 years a well-known resident of the Grand Marais settlement, Sandwich East township, was burned to death at her home on Sunday of last week. Mrs. Bensette, who was a widow, resided in part of the house occupied by her son Paul and family. The old lady was engaged in frying pork for her dinner, when the meat caught fire, the flames shooting up into her face, igniting her light cotton dress. Her little grandchild, who saw the accident, screamed for help. Paul Bensette hurried in and carried his mother outside and smothered the flames by rolling her in the snow. Although the flames were quickly extinguished, help had arrived too late, as the poor woman was dead, her face and arms being burned to a crisp. In his efforts to save his mother, Paul Bensette was severely burned about the arms.

A special meeting of the Brown & Wigle Co. was held at the Palmer House, Toronto, on the 28th, for the purpose of ratifying the action of the directors in the purchase of additional machinery in conformity with a motion passed at their annual meeting held at the Manning House, Windsor, in January, 1899. The annual report, showing the business done during the year and the present standing of the company's affairs, was highly satisfactory. New stock was subscribed to cover the cost of the additional improvements. Two carloads of machinery arrived at the mill recently and are being placed in position, and another car is on its way. An order was placed with the A. R. Williams Co., of Toronto, for another 50 H.P. boiler and engine. They expect to have all the machinery installed and ready to start up in full blast by February 1st. When the whole of the improvements are completed it will be one of the finest plants in the Province for the manufacture of blankets. Their output will be more than double of former years. Orders are already booked for over seven months' work.

Aguinaldo's wife, sisters and eighteen Filipinos have surrendered to Major March's battalion of the 33rd Infantry at Bentec, in the Province of that name.

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Comber.

Wm. Elliott, was re-elected school trustee for the village of Comber.

Miss Annie Ford, of Detroit, is spending a week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Ford.

The village election for Police Trustees resulted as follows:—David Voakes, 82; Mr. Allie, 78; J. I. Poole, 70; H. Howe, 56. The three first named are elected.

Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Allison, of Pasques, Assa, N. W. T., are visiting the latter's sister, Mrs. Adam Feuer, Tilbury West. Mr. and Mrs. Allison left these parts some 16 years ago.

Jacob Terryberry, Tilbury West, received word on Monday of last week that his mother had died the day previous. Mr. Terryberry left for his old home in Hageraville that night. The deceased lady was in her 77th year.

A lecture, under the auspices of the Ladies' Guild of the Church of the Ascension, Comber, will be delivered by the Rev. J. H. Moorhouse, Rector of Christ Church, London, on Wednesday evening, Jan. 17th.

The residence of J. I. Poole had a narrow escape from destruction by fire on New Year's Day. Mr. Poole's infant son had got possession of some matches and set fire to the carpet upstairs. The fire had burned a hole in the floor as large as a barrel before it was discovered. The fire was subdued by the occupants. The damage is covered by insurance.

The Christmas entertainments in connection with the Methodist Sabbath Schools of Comber Circuit were very successful. The programs in each instance was all that could be desired, and the proceeds considerably in excess of last year. Numerous and costly presents for young and old made all hearts glad. The pastor and his wife were most kindly remembered by both town and country congregations for which they desire to extend their hearty thanks.

The Presbyterian Sabbath School entertainment was held on the 29th ult. There was a good attendance. The little folks, and the older ones, too, who took part in the programme acquitted themselves in a manner that reflected credit on those who managed the entertainment. One good feature of the entertainment was the absence of the tree and its presents. It was decided to send the money to the mission fields instead of giving the children the usual presents. A real enjoyable time was spent by all.

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United States Attorney-General Griggs has returned the copy of the evidence taken on the classification of the railways with the intimation that the shippers' only remedy is an appeal to the Interstate Commerce Commission.

A London cable says that the English metropolis has decided to adopt the underground electric street car system. The County Council has taken steps to appropriate about \$15,000,000 to instal the system.

Mail advices from Honolulu give additional details of the bubonic plague, which has appeared there and indicate that the conditions are not very alarming. Five deaths have occurred, one native and four Chinese.

PARTIES in want of any magazines for 1900 should call and see us. We can give the FREE PRESS, Cosmopolitan, McClure's and Munsey's for \$3.50, or quote prices on any other combination.

Canadian News.

Joseph Miller, a highly respected farmer, was struck by a train and killed at a crossing in Cardinal.

Two miners were blown to atoms by the explosion of dynamite which they were throwing out at the Sultan's mine, Rat Portage.

Hess, Weil & Steinhardt, of New York, are about forming a glue manufacturing combination in Canada, with a factory at Quebec.

Toronto city council has resolved to pay the premiums upon insurance policies on the lives of the Toronto members of the second contingent.

W. H. Ingram, Postmaster of St. Thomas, has been suspended from his position on a report of Inspector Bennett. Mr. Ingram is charged with laxity in the discharge of his duties.

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Some days ago the customs officers at Toronto seized a number of buttons, to be worn on the lapel of the coat, bearing the words, "Victory to the Boers," in some cases in French and in others in English. The buttons will be destroyed.

The Essex Free Press till the end of 1900 and the London Daily Advertiser for one year for \$2. The Advertiser is printed at 1 p. m., and arrives at Essex the same evening. It is one of the best dailies in the Dominion and gives all the foreign news given in the morning papers. Subscribe now.

Amherstburg.

Miss Cora Irwin, of Essex, spent a few days with friends in Amherstburg and Malden.

Norman Campeau will spend the present school term at St. Michael's College, Toronto.

Colin Bottsford and bride have taken up their residence in Mrs. Wm. Borrowman's house on the townline.

John Brabourne returned to Toronto, Tuesday of last week, to re-enter Harbord street Collegiate Institute.

D. Bruce Turville is home from law school, Toronto, for the holidays. He will return about the middle of the month.

Misses Annie Hicks, of Essex, Edith James, of Cottam, and Del. Beaman, of Essex, spent Sunday and New Year's visiting friends in town.

U. S. Engineer Dixon returned from a visit to his home at Niles, on Tuesday, and on Wednesday surveying was commenced on the lot for the proposed channel west of Bois Bla Island.

WHEN BABY IS TEETHING be careful of him. On the first indications of diarrhoea or Cholera Infantum give Dr. Fowler's Extract of Wild Strawberry. It has saved thousands of babies' lives.

The Ladies' Aid of St. Andrew's church are arranging for a concert in the Town Hall, on Jan. 31st, to be given by Prof. Studor and his assistant, Roy Hackett, of the Y. M. C. A., Detroit, together with a class of 15 young men.

Prince of Wales Chapter, No. 71, R. A. M., has elected the following officers:—Z. H. Hackett; H. W. T. Wilkinson; J. G. T. Florey; S. E. Thos. Hobley, M. D.; S. N. John A. Burt; Chaplain, C. Wigle; Prof. Sojourner, E. J. Haynes; Treas., Thomas Hobley; Captain, R. Elliott.

Mrs. C. Gaines, Hazeldean, Ont., had an attack of liver trouble and indigestion last spring. She took Laxa-Liver Pills and found them the best medicine she ever tried for these complaints. They are small and do not taste.

Mrs. Turville is having the building recently partly destroyed by fire, adjoining the Echo office, torn down, with the intention of erecting a residence on the site of the Bruce homestead. The old building being removed is the house in which the late ex-Governor Schultz, of Manitoba, was born.

On New Year's Day, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Botsford celebrated their silver wedding by entertaining quite a number of friends and relatives. Numerous useful tokens of appreciation from friends testified to the esteem in which they are held. During the afternoon a great many callers took the opportunity of extending congratulations.

Lorne Lodge, No. 11, A. O. U. W., elected the following officers for the ensuing year:

M. W. Colin Wigle; Foreman, R. Elliott; Overseer, F. J. Maloney; Recorder, F. P. Scratch; Financier, J. A. Auld; Receiver, J. F. Jarmain; Guide, J. J. McSpadden; I. W. Dolph B. Saire; O. W. W. McEvoy; Rep. to G. L. F. Young; Alternate, F. P. Scratch; Auditors, J. A

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The reason 1900 is not a leap year is that according to the Gregorian calendar, all centurial years that are not multiples of 400 are not to be made leap years.

If you want to make a present to an absent friend, send them a receipt for a year's subscription to The Free Press. They will thank you 53 times in 120.

A Montreal boy of seventeen years named Dubo, was accidentally shot and fatally wounded while examining a revolver at the factory of the Robertson Company.

Arrangements are all complete, so that on Monday last the Kingville glass factory started up in full blast. Forty-two blowers have arrived, also several pattern makers and bench men.

COUGH AND COLD are all quickly cured by Pyne-Pectoral. It lessens the cough almost instantly, and cures readily the most obstinate cold. Manufactured by the proprietors of Perry Davis' Pain Killer.

The Salvation Army provided Christmas dinner for 30,000 poor people in New York, and for 9,000 in Philadelphia. This is an example of practical Christianity that other churches might follow.

The D & L EMULSION OF COD LIVER OIL may be taken with most beneficial results by those who are run down or suffering from after effects of the grippe. Made by Davis & Lawrence Co., Ltd.

Jacob Mallour, proprietor of the Sandwick Springs hotel, who was several days ago charged with selling liquor on election day, appeared before Magistrate Bartlett yesterday afternoon and pleaded guilty. He was sentenced \$25.75.

ALL OVER CANADA come letters telling of the great benefits derived from the D & L Menthol Plasters in cases of rheumatism, lame back, etc.

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Mrs. German and children have returned to Walkerville, after spending some days with Mrs. G. A. parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Chamberlain.

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A girl in Philadelphia has completely recovered from a mental derangement through being literally starved. She was given nothing for forty-five days, which is the longest fast on record. They say it is a poor rule that will not work both ways, and some of the people who eat so heartily are in danger of becoming insane.

A Deep Mystery.

It is a mystery why women endure Backache, Headache, Nervousness, Melancholy, Fainting and Dizzy Spells when thousands have proved that Electric Bitters will quickly cure such troubles. "I suffered for years with kidney trouble," writes Mrs. Phoebe Cherley, of Peterson, Ia., "and a lame back pained me so I could not dress myself, but Electric Bitters wholly cured me, and, although 73 years old, I now am able to do all my housework." It overcomes Constipation, improves Appetite gives perfect sleep. Only 50c at Jno. Thorne's the corner druggist.

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The by-elections in the seven vacant constituencies for the Dominion House will be held on Thursday, the 25th inst., with nominations a week earlier, on Tuesday, the 18th. The constituencies are Winnipeg, West Ontario, Labelle, Berthier, Vercheres, Lotbiniere and Sherbrooke.

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Thirteen persons were convicted of murder and sentenced to death in Canada during the year 1899, and of these all but one have been hanged. The exception was an Indian, who murdered a woman in a pagan camp in the unsurveyed territory on the borders of Great Slave Lake. He thought his victim was a "wendigo," and dispatched her accordingly.

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The reason 1900 is not a leap year is that according to the Gregorian calendar, all centurial years that are not multiples of 400 are not to be made leap years.

If you want to make a present to an absent friend, send them a receipt for a year's subscription to The Free Press. They will thank you 53 times in 120.

A Montreal boy of seventeen years named Dubo, was accidentally shot and fatally wounded while examining a revolver at the factory of the Robertson Company.

Arrangements are all complete, so that on Monday last the Kingville glass factory started up in full blast. Forty-two blowers have arrived, also several pattern makers and bench men.

COUGH AND COLD are all quickly cured by Pyne-Pectoral. It lessens the cough almost instantly, and cures readily the most obstinate cold. Manufactured by the proprietors of Perry Davis' Pain Killer.

The Salvation Army provided Christmas dinner for 30,000 poor people in New York, and for 9,000 in Philadelphia. This is an example of practical Christianity that other churches might follow.

The D & L EMULSION OF COD LIVER OIL may be taken with most beneficial results by those who are run down or suffering from after effects of the grippe. Made by Davis & Lawrence Co., Ltd.

Jacob Mallour, proprietor of the Sandwick Springs hotel, who was several days ago charged with selling liquor on election day, appeared before Magistrate Bartlett yesterday afternoon and pleaded guilty. He was sentenced \$25.75.

ALL OVER CANADA come letters telling of the great benefits derived from the D & L Menthol Plasters in cases of rheumatism, lame back, etc.

Johns Co., Ltd., manufacturers of soap, daughter, brother, etc., living at a distance, you can send them a present that would be appreciated more than to send of the FREE PRESS for the

Ontario Fisheries' over

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provincial law respecting the size

the catch is being well observed

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from the local markets.

Essexage publishes the following

bit of information. "Among the

things a level-headed man should

do, is to walk on a railway track,

not a gun or a pistol at another, to

his savings in an old sock, under the

or run for office when he has a ray-

business."

has been noted this year that the re-

rement of public school teachers has

more general than usual, in many

with an advance in salary. The old

of letting a tried and successful

go for the sake of a few dollars

one of the most serious drawbacks to

the educational system.

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several freight cars occurred

10 yards in Windsor on Wed-

est night. An extra freight

semaphore at the east end

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and you will need

..Raisins, Currants,
Peels, . . . *

And such like. Call and see my stock. I have just received a large consignment of the best selected fruits, and prices are right.

2 Cans Maple Leaf Salmon for 5c.

3 Cans Corn, Peas or Tomatoes, 25c.

Groceries, fresh and cheap.

Long Boots.....

For cold and wet weather, still a number of pairs in stock. See them.

R. H. MILLEN,

General Store, Cottam.

A Dollar's worth of Goods for \$1. Always Good Value.

North Ridge.

The Willing Workers of the Methodist church will hold an entertainment on Thursday evening next, January 18th. Refreshments will be served in the hall and an adjournment will then be had to the church where a choice literary and musical programme will be rendered, to include addresses by Revs. Messrs. Reid, Williams and Shaw. Admission, 20 cents for adults and 10c for children.

McGregor.

Mr. Ellis is still teaching school. Mr. Ralph is back after his holidays.

Denis Barron will have his elevator open for business next week.

George Groombridge is in Windsor to lay a complaint against Messrs. Cook & Scott for coming on his place and hauling away wood that he (Groombridge) had made in clearing up his land which, by virtue of his contract with Walker & Sons is his, as he clears the land. People familiar with the circumstances claim that Walker & Sons will protect the settler at all hazards. Two other cases are waiting, pending the decision of this one.

Gesto.

Ira Brush has moved into his handsome new residence.

W. Reid, of Ruthven, called on friends here last week.

R. H. Barrett left on Monday to resume his studies in the School of Practical Science, Toronto.

The Misses Russell entertained a number of their young friends very pleasantly on Wednesday evening.

Peter Hulley has entered an appeal against the finding of the jury at the recent assizes in his case against Ed. Thorn for slander. The case will come up for hearing at Toronto next week.

Rev. D. H. Trimble, a former pastor, conducted services here on Sunday evening last. His many friends were pleased to again have the pleasure of listening to him. He returned to Toronto University on Monday.

Elford.

Sweetman Bros., started their new corn husker on Tuesday.

The infant child of M. Warner, of Camp Palmer, is quite ill with inflammation of the lungs.

A pair of fancy black mitts were left in the buggy at Maurice Elford's one night recently. The owner can have same if he will call in daylight.

Michael Sweetman has bought 100 acres, of lot 20 in the 8th concession of Colchester North, from the Landed Banking and Loan Co. for \$3000.

John Lally had one of his legs broken in two places between the knee and ankle while at work in the woods one day last week. Dr. McKenzie attended to the injuries.

Some person visited the barn of Wm. A. Montgomery in the Street Marsh on Wednesday night and removed two dressed hogs that he intended delivering at Essex the next morning.

Andrew Chapman and James Mason each delivered about 20 hogs at Essex yesterday (Thursday) for Green & Sinclair. Maurice Elford and Samson Gosnell also delivered some fine hogs at the same place.

Thos. Quick met with quite an accident yesterday (Thursday) morning. He was shingling his new house when he slipped off the roof and fell to the ground below, a drop of about 18 feet. He was badly shaken up and bruised but no bones broken.

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lee, occupies the pupils of the Methodist church on Sunday last preaching the missionary sermon. The contributions were satisfactory and compare favorably with previous years.

There were registered in the office of the division registrar for Gosfield North for the half year ending December 31st, 1899, 37 births, 4 marriages and 18 deaths, making a total of 69 births, 6 marriages and 27 deaths for the year 1899.

Maidstone Cross.

John McCarthy spent Sunday with the Misses Sheehan, of Detroit.

Martin Haley, of Cheboygan, Mich. is visiting his mother, Mrs. Savage.

Miss Pearl Jones is spending a few weeks with relatives in Windsor and Detroit.

Thos. McCloskey, jr., of Windsor, and Miss M. McHugh spent Sunday at R. Halford's.

Miss Tilly Barrett left last week for an extended visit with Mr. and Mrs. John Kane, of Chicago.

Miss Maggie and Laura Thibadeau, the latter of Alma Ladies' College, St. Thomas, called on friends in this vicinity Tuesday.

The Methodist Sunday School here held their annual entertainment at the church on Monday evening. Rev. R. W. Williams occupied the chair in his usual happy manner. The programme consisted of readings by Mrs. Williams and music and recitations by local talent.

Sandwich South.

Miss Harriet Burns, the 16-year-old daughter of Lawrence Burns, of this township, passed away early Tuesday from Bright's disease after an illness of four months.

John Moynahan, township clerk, was able to attend the township council for a while last Monday. He is steadily improving, though still quite weak. John McAlpine has been taking his school for him during his illness.

On Thursday last, Peter, the 4-year-old son of Peter Ferry, sustained a severe scalp wound by falling off a barrel and striking on the sharp edge of a board. Dr. J. W. Brien, of Essex, was called and put in 12 stitches.

Mrs. Ellen Flynn Halford, widow of the late Abraham Halford, died at her home at Maidstone Cross on Wednesday last of the year, at the advanced age of 80 years. The deceased was born near the Lakes of Killarney, in Ireland, and came to Maidstone 70 years ago, passing her years on the same farm on which she died. Two sons and three daughters survive her:—

Thomas, of Republic, Washington; A. J., of Windsor; Sister M. Laurentia, Jacksonville, Fla.; Sister St. Ferdinand, Exeter, Eng., and Annie L., at home. The funeral took place on Friday morning, interment at St. Mary's cemetery, Maidstone. The funeral was one of the largest ever seen in these parts, a number from Windsor and Detroit attending.

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R. Wigle spent Sunday with friends in Windsor.

Miss Susie Totten, of Windsor, visited this week with friends here.

Anniversary services were conducted on Sunday by Rev. Mr. Williams both in the morning and evening.

On Wednesday evening last, a small party was held at Mrs. C. Churchill's in honor of her guests, the Misses Thibadeau, of Cottam.

Master Frank Gosnell, who has been spending two weeks with relatives at Highgate and other eastern places, returned home on Tuesday.

The members of the Grace Methodist choir of Essex were very pleasantly entertained at the home of John Wilson on Thursday evening last.

John Ellis, sr., met with a serious accident the other day, having his right hand caught in the cogs of a corn sheller and the member injured so that it was necessary to amputate the forefinger. The other fingers on the hand were badly lacerated. Dr. J. W. performed the operation. When Mr. Ellis was a lad he lost the little finger of the same hand.

The barn and cow stable of Michael Pfahler, a prosperous farmer of the Renard Line, in this township, were destroyed by fire last Friday night. All his hay, cornstalks, about 2,000 bushels of grain and 30 head of cattle were destroyed. His five horses and harness were the only things saved from the burning buildings. The loss on the building will be \$1,200, on oats \$400, on wheat \$150, on hay \$400 and cattle \$1,200. The building was insured for \$700, the contents for \$300 and the cattle for \$400. The fire was first noticed shortly after 8 o'clock by one of the family of Mr. Cook, a near neighbor. Mrs. Cook was about to retire, when, looking out of the window, she saw Mr. Pfahler's barn on fire. She gave the alarm and Joseph Cook ran to the Pfahler residence and gave the alarm. Mr. Pfahler was absent at his brother's and Mrs. Pfahler and son were at home. Mr. Cook found the cow stable in a blaze and the barn had also caught. By a great effort he got the five horses out and the harness. By this time the doors of the cow stable were burning and a straw stack close by the door had also taken fire. The efforts of Mr. Cook and Mrs. Pfahler failed to get any of the cattle out and they all perished. The pigs in a pen close to the burning buildings were saved. Mr. Pfahler's son went to the cow stable a short time previous to the fire with a lantern, but as the fire started in the loft in the barn, at the end, distant from the cow stable, it is believed the fire was of incendiary origin.

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The lot comprises all the newest shades in all wool Homespuns, worth regular \$1 and \$1.10 per yard, sale price 50c a yard.

Silk Finished Cashmeres, regular price \$1 per yard, sale price 50c per yard.

Beautiful black Blister Soliels, regular price 75c and 90c per yard, sale price 50c per yard.

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50 Pieces of Fancy Wrappettes, regular price 12½c per yard, sale price 8½c per yard.

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Essex Markets.

January 11, 1900.

Wheat, red, new bus. \$ 68 @ 68

Wheat, white, 68

Corn, new, 30

Oats, 24

Pear, 90

Barley, 40

Hay, per ton 8 00 10 00

Dressed Hogs 4 85 4 85

Chickens, per lb 5

Ducks, 5

Geese, 5

Turkey, 8

Butter, 18

Eggs, per doz 18

Tobacco, white Burley, choice 5½

Timothy, 1 25 1 35

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Walkerville Markets.

We are now paying at Walkerville, for No.

1 Barley, per 100 lbs. 80c; No. 1 Rye, per

bushel, 30c; No. 1 Corn, per bushel, 35c;

No. 1 Oats, per bushel, 26c.

We commenced buying new Corn on

Monday, December 18th, paying therefore

35c per bushel for No. 1.

HERMAN WALKER & SONS (Ltd.)

No. 1 and 2 sold to Essex by all responsible druggists.